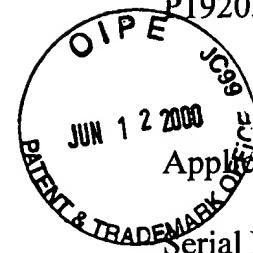


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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97-1.98, Applicant hereby calls the following documents to the Examiner's attention:

U.S. Patent No. 5,881,233 to TOYODA et al., issued March 9, 1999.

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. JP HEI 08-242326, published September 17, 1996. This is a counterpart of the above mentioned U.S. Patent to TOYODA et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,881,233 claims priority from JP HEI 08-242326).

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider and cite the above documents. Copies of the above-noted documents are attached and have been listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is also attached hereto. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a copy of the Form to the Applicant with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

Applicant also brings to the Examiner's attention the following copending patent applications:

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U.S. Patent Application No. 08/930,609, filed on October 14, 1997.

U.S. Patent Application No. 09/084,938, filed on May 28, 1998.

U.S. Patent Application No. 09/088,712, filed on June 2, 1998.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(2)(iii), copies of the above-mentioned applications are not attached hereto. The Examiner is requested to review the file wrapper of these U.S. patent applications at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Of course, if for any reason the Examiner cannot locate the applications, Applicant will provide any requested materials, if possible.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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